Reply of Government.—Project not feasible.

SUBJECT No. 374.

A tank near Devarabellekere.

Mr. Srinivas Sitaram Kulkarni, Haribar Sub-Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A project for 2½ lakhs of rupees has been sanctioned by Government for constructing a tank near Devarabellekere across the Sulekerehalla. This tank will not only benefit eight villages but materially improve the resources of the sub-taluk by increasing wet cultivation. The people of the sub-taluk of Harihar solely depend for their supply of rice on imports from Shikarpur, Siralkoppa, Nyamti and other places. The tank will irrigate an extensive area of 3,000 acres yielding a revenue of ten thousand rupees. Under these circumstances, the allotment of some funds in the current year's budget for the construction of this useful tank may be ordered and arrangements made so as to complete the work within three or four years.

Reply of Government.—It has been sanctioned as a famine project. Will be undertaken when necessity arises.

SUBJECT No. 375.

A bridge across the Vedavati river.

Mr. Venkatanaranappa, Hosdurga Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Of the four hoblis in the Hosdurga Taluk, two are on one side of the Vedavati river on the Hosdurga-Nandihal road and one is on the other side. The people of the villages in the respective hoblis find it difficult to cross the river in the rainy season when the river is in flood. It is therefore requested that a bridge may be ordered to be constructed on the Hosdurga-Huliyar road across that river for the convenience of the people and traffic.

Reply of Government.—Noted. The construction of a bridge can be undertaken only when funds are available. The question of having a boat service in the rainy season will in the meantime be referred to the District Board for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 376.

A weaving school at Hosdurga.

Mr. Venkatanaranappa, Hosdurga Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—There are no less than 150 weavers' families in the Hosdurga town besides many more in the taluk. It is prayed that a weaving school may be established at Hosdurga for the training of that class in improved methods of weaving. To Subject No. 475 of 1906, the Government replied that it was noted for consideration at a future date. Nothing having been done in this respect, the subject is again urged for orders.

Reply of Government.—Government have recently started industrial schools at Channapatna, Chitaldrug, Molakalmuru, Dodballapur, Chiknayakanhalli and Hole-Narsipur. The opening of more industrial schools will be considered after some experience is gained of the working of these schools and when funds are available. In the meantime the question of granting scholarships to students willing to go to the Molakalmuru school for training will be referred to the Inspector-General of Education.